

Summary of Changes

The Annual Revision Release on May 25, 2018 included the following changes:

- Implementation of a new sample for the Advance Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MARTS) and the Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MRTS)
- Implementation of the 2012 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)
- Discontinuation of the Collection/Publication of Leased Department Sales in NAICS 4521, Department Stores
- Updates to the Publication Table Layouts

New Sample

Monthly retail estimates were published based on new samples for MARTS and MRTS. New samples are introduced approximately every 2.5-3 years for MARTS and 5 years for MRTS. The introduction of a new sample enables us to incorporate the latest results of the Economic Census, implement classification changes, and redistribute the burden on the smaller companies. Details on the methods used to implement new samples were included with the release in May.

2012 NAICS

This new sample reflects 2012 NAICS and implements updates based on classification changes. Below you will find a table of the 2012 NAICS definition changes for NAICS sectors 44, 45, and subsector 722. NAICS industries affected by the definition changes were restated to the beginning of their time series.

2007 NAICS (old)	2012 NAICS (new)	Publication Level Change
441221 - Motorcycle, ATV, and Personal Watercraft Dealers	441228 - Motorcycle, ATV, and All Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	No
441229 - All Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	441228 - Motorcycle, ATV, and All Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	No
443111 - Household Appliance Stores	443141 - Household Appliance Stores	Yes
443112 - Radio, Television, and Other Electronics Stores	443142 - Electronics Stores	Yes
443120 - Computer and Software Stores	443142 - Electronics Stores	Yes
443130 - Camera and Photographic Supplies Stores	443142 - Electronics Stores	Yes
451220 - Prerecorded Tape, Compact Disc, and Record Stores	443142 - Electronics Stores	Yes
454311 - Heating Oil Dealers	454310 - Fuel Dealers	No
454312 - Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Bottled Gas) Dealers	454310 - Fuel Dealers	No
454319 - Other Fuel Dealers	454310 - Fuel Dealers	No
722110 - Full-Service Restaurants	722511 - Full-Service Restaurants	Yes
722211 - Limited-Service Restaurants	722513 - Limited-Service Restaurants	Yes
722212 - Cafeterias, Grill Buffets, and Buffets	722514 - Cafeterias, Grill Buffets, and Buffets	Yes
722213 - Snack and Nonalcoholic Beverage Bars	722515 - Snack and Nonalcoholic Beverage Bars	Yes

Discontinuation of Leased Department Sales in NAICS 4521

With the implementation of the new samples, we are no longer collecting data on the leased department sales within department stores. Thus, we are longer publishing estimates of Department Stores Excluding and Including Leased Departments. All estimates for department stores exclude leased departments and are published at the following levels: 4521 Department Stores, 452111 Department Stores (except Discount Department Stores), and 452112 Discount Department Stores.

Updates to Publication Tables

As a result of the implementation of 2012 NAICS and the removal of leased department sales, the publication tables associated with the MARTS and MRTS releases have been changed. Please see below for links to the new table mockups that are being used beginning with the Annual Revision Release on May 25, 2018 and with the Advance Monthly Sales for Retail and Food Services beginning on June 14, 2018.

[New Advance Monthly Retail Trade Tables](#)

[New Monthly Retail and Food Services Sales Tables](#)

[New Reliability of Monthly Estimates: Sales](#)